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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

We desperately need local broadband providers in this country. Many of my students can barely afford internet as it is, and without competition, they will be closed out forever. SO MUCH of our daily lives now --- as citizen, as consumers, as folks needing vital services like healthcare or emergency help--- depends on broadband access. My own sister is being shut out of modern life because she lives in a rural area. She and her neighbors struggle when price hikes threaten their internet and telephone services.

WE NEED COMPETITIVE PROVIDERS ! Do not make this country a miserable place where only some have a good life and security. Preserve access for all in the United States!

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